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C O N F I D E N T I A L DACCA 5527

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PINR BG SL  
SUBJECT: BANGLADESH AMBASSADOR DESIGNATE ARSHAD-UZ ZAMAN

REF: FREETOWN 2872 (NOTAL)

1. AMBASSADOR ARSHAD-UZ ZAMAN IS CURRENTLY BANGLADESH  
AMBASSADOR TO SENEGAL AND HAS NOW BEEN CONCURRENTLY  
ACCREDITED TO SIERRE LEONE AND GHANA. HE WILL CONTINUE  
TO RESIDE IN DAKAR.

2. ARSHAD-UZ ZAMAN WAS BORN IN KHULNA IN WHAT IS NOW  
BANGLADESH ON FEBRURAY 1, 1927. HE GRADUATED FROM CALCUTTA  
UNIVERSITY IN 1947 AND THEREAFTER STUDIED FOR TWO YEARS AT  
THE INSTITUT D-ETUDES POLITIQUES IN PARIS. AFTER WORKING  
FOR AGENCE FRANCE PRESSE FOR A YEAR, HE JOINED THE PAKISTAN  
MINISTRY OF INFORMATION IN 1952. HE WAS PRESS ATTACHE IN  
ANKARA FROM 1953 TO 1958 AND SERVED AT THE PAKISTAN  
EMBASSY IN PARIS AND AT THE UN UNTIL 1964. HE WAS PUBLIC  
RELATIONS OFFICER FOR PAKISTAN PRESIDENT AYUB KHAN FOR  
SIX MONTHS IN 1964, THEN RETURNED OVERSEAS TO WORK AT  
THE PAKISTAN EMBASSIES IN TOKYO AND BONN UNTIL  
1969. FROM THEN UNTIL BANGLADESH'S INDEPENDENCE WAR  
BROKE OUT IN 1971, HE WAS DEPUTED TO THE GOVERNMENT OF  
EAST PAKISTAN AS DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC RELATIONS. HE WAS  
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CAUGHT IN PAKISTAN DURING THE WAR, ESCAPED TO TEHRAN  
AND REACHED BANGLADESH IN 1972. UPON HIS RETURN, HE  
BECAME DIRECTOR GENERAL OF EXTERNAL PUBLICITY IN THE  
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND LATER SERVED AS CHIEF  
OF PROTOCOL. HE WAS APPOINTED CHARGE D'AFFAIRS OF THE  
BANGLADESH EMBASSY IN ALGIERS IN 1973 AND BECAME AMBASSA-  
DOR TO ALGERIA IN 1974. IN 1976 HE RETURNED TO

DACCA AS DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR THE MIDDLE EAST/AFRICA AND EASTERN EUROPE/COMMUNIST COUNTRIES. ZAMAN WAS APPOINTED AMBASSADOR TO SENEGAL IN OCTOBER, 1977.

3. ARSHAD-UZ ZAMAN IS FLUENT IN FRENCH AND TURKISH AND HAS A WORKING KNOWLEDGE OF SPANISH AND GERMAN. HIS WIFE IS TURKISH. HE IS ABOVE AVERAGE HEIGHT FOR A BENGLADESHI, PERHAPS 5'10", AND HAS GREY HAIR AND REGULAR FEATURES. HE IS INTELLIGENT AND PERSONABLE.  
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